

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

Assembly Bill 2742 is premature and could negatively impact negotiations with the Federal Government to extend the Family Planning, Access, Care, and Treatment Program (Family PACT) waiver. Through the Family PACT waiver, California receives more than \$300 million in federal funds annually to support comprehensive family planning services to low-income women and men to promote optimal reproductive health and reduce unplanned pregnancies.

California's efforts must be targeted at successful waiver negotiations with the Federal Government. AB 2742 would require state funding to maintain existing services if federal funding is discontinued. Our priority must be to preserve federal funding for our successful Family PACT program.

For these reasons I am returning AB 2742 without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger